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## Litterpluck in the Town of Neversink

Sullivan County's Annual Litterpluck is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2013 and you can help to clean up the Town of Neversink. All school and community groups, as well as private citizens are urged to participate. Litterpluck is a great opportunity to volunteer a few hours to clean our parks and roadways. If April 27th does not fit into your schedule you can choose another day that is convenient for you. Clear trash bags donated by Sullivan County Division of Public Works and Solid Waste are available at the Neversink Town Hall for you to use. Once you fill with them with litter, simply take them to the Town of Neversink Transfer Station and let the attendant know you have litterpluck bags and they will take care of the rest. If you would like more information please call the Town of Neversink Town Hall at 985-2262 x300 or 307 and speak to Lisa or Janis.

## SC's Annual Litter Pluck

Monticello, NY - Sullivan County Legislature has announced that Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck Day will take place on Saturday, April 27, 2013, and all school and community groups, as well as private citizens are urged to participate.

"Sullivan County's Annual Litter Pluck is a popular event, and the Legislature appreciates that their constituents volunteer time to assist in the clean-up of the roadsides before the busy summer season" said Kathy LaBuda, Public Works Committee Chair.

LaBuda continued, "And because not everyone is able to participate on the same day, the County Transfer Stations will accept debris from April 27 - May 5, to allow each community an opportunity to participate."

The Sullivan County Division of Public Works and Solid Waste will donate trash bags for this community-based roadside cleanup event, and will accept the roadside refuse for disposal free-of-charge at the County Transfer Stations. All residents and groups who wish to participate in Litter Pluck can pick up their Litter Pluck materials any time on or after Friday, April 19, 2013 at their Town or Village Hall or local Transfer Station. While no coupons are required, all Litter Pluck refuse must be placed in clear bags.

For more information about Litter Pluck, please call Sullivan County Parks, Recreation and Beautification Director Kristin Porter at 845-807-0261.

## Ellenville Regional Hospital Celebrates Survivors

What is more important than acknowledging and celebrating the lives of the patients we touch! On March 12, 2013, Nurses, Medical Providers, EMTs, Paramedics and Administrators from Ellenville Regional Hospital and Vassar Brothers Medical Center had the great pleasure of spending an evening with three of our mutual patients who each survived a serious cardiac event.



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Each of the survivors was treated in Ellenville Regional Hospital's Emergency Department after experiencing a Heart Attack, stabilized and then transferred by members of our local EMS to Vassar Brothers where they received interventional treatment for their life threatening condition.

Dr. Jafar presented their specific cases and the staff involved in their care were acknowledged for their dedication and commitment. The highlight of the evening was when one of the survivors stood up to tell his very personal story, with his son at his side, saying, "The staff worked together like a well-orchestrated team and immediately put me at ease. I knew I was going to be okay".

Ellenville Regional Hospital will be hosting our annual EMS Appreciation event on Wednesday, May 22nd, from 5-7PM in our main lobby. All members of EMS are invited (Fire Fighters, Police Officers, EMT's, First Responders, Drivers and Paramedics). We expect a substantial number of survivors to attend the event and we would like for them to meet their very own personal heroes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Maria Gonzalez, RN, CEN, ED /EMS Clinical Coordinator at (845) 647-6400, ext 287.

## CFFCM Celebrates 2013 Trout Season Hosting an Open Cast



A group of anglers was joined by Joan Wulf, Don Trump, Jr., Sally Jesse Raphael and Assemblywoman Aileen Gunther on the banks of the Willowemoc, upstream from the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum in Livingston Man-

or, NY on April 6 when the CFFCM hosted an Open Cast in celebration of the 2013 NYS Trout Season.

Guests enjoyed a cup of Anges Van Put's famous soup while socializing with guests, meeting new friends and seeing the new 2013 museum exhibits.

Guests also got to check out spring fly patterns by Catskill John Bonasera, taking a casting lesson. Others tuned up with the cane crew and Bamboo Mike and were also able to take a sneak peek at the new building before they got out to wet a line.

It was all about fly fishing. For more information check it out on [www.facebook.com/cffcm](http://www.facebook.com/cffcm)

## SC Sheriff Headquarters Presented with New POW-MIA Flag



James and Joy Sennett stopped by the Sheriff's Headquarters in Monticello recently to present a brand new POW-MIA flag to the deputies.

The current flag flying at the Sheriff's Office has become worn and faded. Mr. Sennett who is a retired law enforcement officer is the President of Rolling Thunder - NYS Chapter #4.

Pictured accepting the flag, from left to right, is Deputy Sean Grady, Lt. Brian Boyd, and Capt. James Ginty.

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**ON THE FRONT BURNER:** I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.  
Psalm 30:1

### THANK YOU NOTE:

My family and I would like to thank everyone for the generosity, support, prayers and undying love during our recent loss of my brother, Duane Hall. Thank you all so much and know that we will never forget all that you have done us. It has been truly appreciated!

God Bless You All!!

Diana & Scott Grey and Family

### Days of Yore...

#### ...Today's History

**April 15, 1953** - Congratulations to Miss Jeanette DePew of Peekamoose who won the "biggest fish" contest sponsored by Raymond Krum of Krum's General Store in Grahamsville. The prize was a fishing rod, complete with reel, line and hooks. She caught her big trout in the Rondout Creek at Peekamoose. It was 11 3/4 in. long and weighed 9 oz. The contest was open to children under 14 yrs. of age.

Old Man Winter parked himself on the Greenville Hill on last Monday. It snowed all afternoon and by night the ground was white and the budding hills covered with a crown of white frost.

Arnold Robinson, a First Class Seaman, arrived home Tuesday, April 7th. The seaman overcame a Wave or a Wave overcame a seaman - or both. Anyway, he was married to Mary Ellen Lancaster of Dallas, Texas who was serving in the Waves. They expect to make their home here in the near future.

**April 10, 1963** - Patricia Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Curtis of Aden, has been awarded a State Regents Scholarship. Pat has been accepted at St. Vincent's Hospital School of Nursing in Staten Island, NY and plans to start the program in September. She is a Tri-Valley senior.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buley of Grahamsville have announced the engagement of their daughter, Louise May, to Frederic Eugene Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clark of Curry. Miss Buley attended Onteora Central School and Tri Valley Central School. Her fiancé was graduated from Tri Valley Central School and is a foreman for the Dairymen's League in Liberty. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Rush of Woodbourne are the parents of a son, Robert John, born April 5th at Benedictine Hospital in Kingston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. Mrs. Rush is a science teacher at Tri Valley School.

**April 11, 1973** - Sorry to report that the entire issue of this paper was devoted to page-long legal notices and ads. Hopefully, next week will be better.

**April 14, 1983** - Betsy Grace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grace of Grahamsville, took first place in all-around honors at the Class IV Sectional meet of the United States Gymnastic Federation held recently at Monticello High School.

Congratulations to John and Lois Barnum who are the proud parents of a baby girl, Amanda Sue, born on the morning of April 6th at Kingston City Hospital. Amanda weighed in at 9 lbs. and measured 22 inches. Maternal grandmother is Betty Barnum of Accord. Paternal grandparent is Flossie VanWagner of Sundown.

Thomas Miller Jr., Eagle Scout candidate, has successfully completed his Eagle Scout project. The Reformed Churches of Grahamsville and Woodbourne now have a Food Shelter with over 1,100 cans of goods (which is over half a ton).

### SCDW Announces a Casting Call for "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum"

Director - Harold Tighe Musical Director - Mike Williams; Audition Dates - Saturday and Sunday, April 20, 21 from 1 pm - 4 pm. Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Main Street (Route 42), South Fallsburg, NY (Production Dates August 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, September 1 at Rivoli Theatre)

Bring sheet music to a song that shows your range. An accompanist will be provided. Dance requirements: little to none

For Additional Information or to arrange for an alternate audition time, contact Harold at (845) 807-7212 or via e-mail @ [htighe@hvc.rr.com](mailto:htighe@hvc.rr.com)

### New York in the Spanish Civil War. Concert with "Hudson Valley Sally"

Heritage Folk Music and the Maury Colow Chapter of Veterans for Peace are proud to present Hudson Valley Sally in concert dedicated to the memories of local veteran's of the Spanish Civil War. The concert will be held Sunday, April 21st at the Woodstock Community Center, 56 Rock City Road, Woodstock, NY 12498 from 3-5 pm. \$10 suggested donation.

The Spanish Civil War was one of the most controversial wars of the 20th Century. The local chapter of Veteran's for Peace is named after Maury Colow, a veteran of the SCW.



In 1936 Spain was a democratic republic, King Alfonso XIII having abdicated the throne five years earlier. In July of 1936 the division of the Spanish army stationed in Morocco, led by Generalissimo Francisco Franco and with support from Nazi Germany and fascist Italy, invaded the mainland and precipitated a civil war with a goal of installing Franco as dictator. Volunteers from all over the world, including 2,800 from the American Abraham Lincoln Brigade, came to Spain to fight alongside the loyalist Spanish troops. However, in the face of massive military support from Germany and Italy, by 1939 the loyalists were defeated and Franco ruled Spain as a fascist dictatorship for the next 36 years. Over a third of the American volunteers were killed in Spain, and most of those who survived went on to fight, and many more to die, finally defeating fascism as part of the U.S. military in the second world war.

"Hudson Valley Sally" is a local folk music group whose members "sally forth" to bring messages of peace and justice. Using guitar, banjo and vocal harmonies, this group presents programs that reflect the themes of peace, social justice, and the elimination of poverty. Their mission is to inform and inspire and they do this in a most entertaining way. For recordings and reviews, please visit <http://hudsonvalleysally.com>

For more information, please contact Bob Lusk with Heritage Folk Music at (845) 594-4412. Heritage Folk Music is a not-for-profit group which collects, preserves, documents, displays and interprets regional and historic folk music, folklore and oral history of New York State, including specifically the Catskill Mountains and Hudson River Valley.

UC Office of Employment and Training holds monthly workshop for SSI and SSDI consumers to increase their income

Kingston New York: On Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 2 PM, The ULSTER WORKS OneStop Center and the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training are hosting a program designed to provide Ulster County's SSI and SSDI benefits recipients with instructions on how to get back to work. A trained counselor will offer tools for finding employment, job training and the best ways to gain self-sufficiency in the workplace.

The workshop is open to the general public, professionals, and agencies who work with SSDI and SSI recipients. All are encouraged to attend who are interested in learning about the Social Security Work Incentives and the Ticket to Work Program. The workshop will explore work incentives available in the Ticket to Work Program established by the Social Security Administration that allow SSI and SSDI benefit holders to increase their income and avail themselves of training opportunities. The trained counselor has a network of key employers who are willing and able to provide jobs, with a goal towards self-sufficiency in the workplace.

This program is scheduled for Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 2:00 pm at the OneStop at 601 Development Court (Albany Avenue) in Kingston. Reservations are required. Job seekers should contact: Troy Snyder, Disabilities Resource Coordinator of the Ticket to Work Program at the Ulster Works OneStop Center on Albany Avenue at 845-331-7202.

**A Round About Tri-Valley**

- Carol Furman

Catherine Brown, a 2009 Tri-Valley graduate from Neversink, has made the Dean's List at the School of Business at Perm State. Catherine is majoring in marketing and public relations and is the daughter of Tom and Donna Flynn Brown.

Katlynn Greffrath, a Tri-Valley Junior, has been named the Sullivan County Democrat, 's Girls' Basketball Player of the Year. Katlynn, Caroline Martin and Shatik Smith were also named to the Democrat's 2013 All-Star Basketball Teams.

Welcome to Claryville Willy, Savannah and little Santino Mendez! Willy is the chef at Blue Hill Cafe and Savannah works for Jeff Bank. They are living in what was once the home of Wilson and Ruth VanWagner.

Sympathy is extended to the Jon Allison family of Hasbrouck. Jon's mother, Joan, passed away on March 26th. Condolences are also extended to the family of Kinda Lou Jones of Loch Sheldrake. Kinda also died on March 26th. Kinda was the wife of Walter Jones, Sr.

Fred Madeo, formerly from Hurleyville, passed away in Ithaca, NY, on March 23rd at the age of 92. Fred taught for some time at Fallsburg Central School and later at Sullivan County Community College where he retired as Professor Emeritus in 1983.

Garrett Grey, son of Scott and Diana Grey of Grahamsville, placed 2nd at the NCAA Div. II Track and Field Championships in the weight throw. Garrett is a student at Ashland University. The meet was held in Birmingham, Alabama on March 9th.

Blue Hill Lodge in Claryville was filled with folks from Grahamsville and Neversink the evening before Easter. Ward and Sandy Blade were there dining with their children, Melissa, Cort, Heidi, and Amanda and their families. Including all the grandchildren, I believe I counted eighteen at their table. I also was happy to see Larry Jones of Hastings Drive with his daughter, Melissa, and her husband and four sons. Melissa graduated from Tri-Valley in 1991. Larry's wife, Anita, was traveling in Scotland and Ireland with the FFA Group from Tri-Valley and was due home on Easter Sunday.

The Grahamsville Reformed Church was happy to welcome Albi Beluli to their Easter morning church service. Albi sang and played his guitar. Albi sings and plays beautifully, and now many of the children who were present at the service want to learn to play the guitar like Albi.

The United Methodist Church of Parksville will be the home of the Parksville USA music festival concerts featuring Tom Caltabellotta (formerly of the Dead End Cafe), Leslie Swanson, Mario Vidal and Pianist, Nevart Zeronian. Parksville USA will host eight concerts throughout the year. The first one was held on Sunday, April 7th. The next one will be on May 5th. The festival is dedicated to the memory of Tom's wife, Michele Caltabellotta, who always played the piano while Tom sang at the Dead End Cafe in Parksville. What a team they were! The public is invited to attend the concerts. For tickets ore info call 845-747-4247.

The Sullivan County High School Art Show will present an exhibition of art work by high school students in Sullivan County. The show will take place from April 13th - May 5th at the Catskill Art Society Center, 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor. Art work from Tri-Valley students will exhibited as well as art from the other County school districts.

**Words of Wisdom:** The impersonal hand of government can never replace the helping hand of a neighbor. (Hubert Humphrey)  
Sullivan County Sheriff Michael Schiff is warning Town of Neversink residents to be extra vigilant in light of the recent spike of burglaries that have occurred.

**SC Sheriff Urges Neversink Residents to Remain Vigilant**

Sheriff's deputies have teamed up with state troopers and the DEP Police to investigate these crimes. "It is the same slogan that we use for homeland security," said the Sheriff, "If you see something, say something."

The Sheriff urges residents to report suspicious activity by calling 911 immediately. "You know what cars and people belong in the neighborhood", said Schiff. "If you see something suspicious, get a plate number, a description, and call it in". The Sheriff also asked that if anyone has any information about previous burglaries in the Town of Neversink, to please call the Sheriff's Confidential TIPS line at 845-807-0158. All calls will be kept confidential. In the meantime, the Sheriff has increased daytime patrols within the town.

**Thank You Notes are Still Important**

Everyone has written a thank you note in their life to thank someone for their kind act, deed, etc. On my vacation in Kissimmee, Florida, my family and I stayed at a house. Down south, they call them villas. While down there enjoying the sunshine, one day I came upon a red book sitting on the couch. I realized when I began to read it, that the pages were filled with thank you notes and letters from all of the other families that have stayed in that house before. They were all thanking the owners, who were originally from London, for letting them stay in such a gorgeous villa. That was one of those moments where I realized again, how important a thank you note really is.

Unfortunately every vacation comes to an end. When it was our turn to leave, I sat down on that couch, picked up the book, and wrote a page to the owners. I thanked them for allowing my family to stay in their beautiful home, and I thanked them for allowing others to stay there as well. All thank you notes, no matter how small they are, are worth it. When a person receives a thank you note from someone, they get an overwhelming feeling of joy. A simple note of thanks can mean the world to most people.

Our Senior Project Experience teacher Mrs. Jeanne Fiedler encourages all of us to write thank you notes whenever we get the chance. Letting a person know how much they have helped you, no matter how small the job was, will show that person how much you care for them. A thank you note shows how much their work meant to you. Thank you notes are the best gift in our world today.

**Learn the Basics: Home Canning Preserve Your Garden Harvest**

Join the Master Food Preservation Team of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) on April 16th at a workshop on how to successfully can foods at home. Class will be held from 5:30-7:30 pm on 64 Ferndale Loomis Rd in Liberty, NY. SueAnn Boyd and Erica Ferber, CCE Nutrition Educators, will instruct the class. You will learn why and when "hot pack" is preferable, canning safety, and the proper procedure for hot water bath canning. Participants will be sent home with a prepared food sample. All class materials are covered with a registration fee of just \$25.00. Class size is limited so pre-registration with payment is required in advance. No refunds will be issued. To register you must send payment to CCEESC, 64 Ferndale-Loomis Rd., Liberty, NY 12754, and Attention: Cindy. For more information please call 845-292-6180.

**SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS: Choices for Long Term Care A Single Point of Entry for Long Term Care**

The Long Term Care Council is the advisory board for SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, the single Point of Entry for information on long term care services in Sullivan County. The next meeting of the Long Term Care Council will be Wednesday, April 17, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Legislative Committee Room (2nd floor) in the Sullivan County Government Center. The Council is currently looking at transportation for people with disabilities and people under the age of sixty. Meetings of the Long Term Care Council are open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

For further information about the Long Term Care Council, please contact Martha Scoppa, Point of Entry Coordinator, SULLIVAN NYCONNECTS, Office for the Aging, 100 North Street, P.O. Box 5012, Monticello, New York 12701 or (845) 807-0257.

**Learn How to Prune, Plant, Maintain and Identify Trees. Become a Community Tree Steward**

Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County will be offering a full day Tree Steward Training on April 20th at 64 Ferndale Loomis Rd, Liberty, NY. Class will be held from 9:00am-4:00pm. Participants will receive 7 hours of hands on instruction with Elizabeth Higgins, Natural Resource Educator and Susan Dollard, Community Educator and Master Gardener Program Coordinator. They have already trained 32 stewards in Sullivan County, who now volunteer to improve our communities and parks, by caring for trees. Come to this exciting program in then share your knowledge and skills with your community and neighbors. Each participant will be asked to volunteer 10 hours back to our community on selected projects. The fee for this class is only \$25.00 and will include a tree care guide book and light refreshments. Please bring a bag lunch. For more information call 845-292-6180. Class size is limited, so register early to assure placement. No refunds will be given.

**Nature Column - Linda Comando**

*A tribute to the memory of all of the Townsman ladies that we have lost and loved so much... Peggy DeWire, Avril Pappa, Joan Hall and Polly Hill.*

**Fiddleheads Fern**

Just after the snow melts, but before the last frost, during a short window of time each year, there is a fleeting sign of spring in the Catskills. Found along muddy riverbanks and in moist meadows is the furred baby fern that looks like the scrolled top of a violin. It's fiddleheads!

Almost everyone has heard of "fiddlehead fern," as they have gained popularity as a springtime gourmet wild vegetable. Few wild edibles are so well known, so convenient and tasty, or so



widely available. It is regularly eaten by hundreds of millions of people today, and in North America was and continues as a traditional food for many Native American cultures. Yet unfortunately, a few types of fiddleheads are surrounded by much confusion. Many people mistakenly believe that all fern fiddleheads and are edible.

There are three main species of edible ferns in North America: ostrich fern *Matteuccia struthiopteris*, lady fern *Athyrium filix-femina*, and bracken fern *Pteridium aquilinum*.

When people say "fiddlehead fern" they are most often talking about the ostrich fern. The ostrich fern or shuttlecock fern (*Matteuccia struthiopteris*) is a crown-forming, colony-forming fern, occurring in temperate regions of northern North America including the Catskill Mountains. These magnificent ferns grow mostly in shady areas near riverbanks, where often they cover many acres of ground, and they are also occasionally found in rich hardwood forests.

The name *struthiopteris* comes from Ancient Greek words, *struthio* meaning ostrich and *pterion* meaning wing. It grows from a completely vertical crown, that sends out lateral stolons to form new crowns. It thus can form dense colonies resistant to destruction by floodwaters.

The fronds are dimorphic, (representing two distinct forms) with the deciduous green sterile fronds (palm-like leaves) being almost vertical, growing 39-67 in tall and 7.9-14 in broad, that are long-tapering to the base but short-tapering to the tip, so that they resemble ostrich plumes, hence the name. The fertile fronds are shorter, 16-24 in long, brown when ripe, with highly modified and constricted leaf tissue curled over the sporangia (receptacle where spores are formed) that develop in autumn, persist erect over the winter and release the spores in early spring.



The ostrich fern is a popular ornamental plant in gardens and is a nice addition to a shady garden. It easy to grow, and deer tend to leave it alone. In nature, it grows in dappled shade on the forest edge or in moist soil near water, so when placing ostrich fern in a garden scheme, look for a site with damp shade.

Remember, not all fiddlehead ferns are edible, so look for a U-shaped groove on the inside of the stem and a thin, brown, papery coating to identify the edible sort. When picking fiddleheads, three tops per plant is the recommended harvest. Each plant produces seven tops that turn into fronds; over-picking will kill the plant. Maintaining sustainable harvesting methods is important in the propagation of any non-farmed food species.

If you are not sure what you are looking for or don't have fiddleheads growing in your backyard, fiddleheads are now available for a short time at many grocery stores, and most of the local farmers' markets.

Speaking of fiddles, don't forget to mark your calendar for the 19th Annual Old Time Fiddler's Gathering will be held on Sunday, April 21, 2013 from 1:00-5:00 pm at the Neversink Fire Hall, Route 55, Neversink, NY, another sign that spring is here!

**Household Hints**

**Should Fido Gets Sprayed by a Skunk...**

If your dog should have a run-in with a skunk, vinegar will take care of the smell better than even tomato juice. Using vinegar diluted 50% with water, rub the dog's fur. Rinse with warm water. Repeat as needed.

**Mysterious Book Report No. 94** by John Dwaine McKenna



There's a special interest that we readers should be aware of and give some attention to: first novels. They have an aura about them because they encapsulate a lifetime of thought, expression and experience. (Or in some cases, inexperience . . .) It makes no difference if the author is eight or eighty, they'll put the sum total of their life's events into the body of their first novel. And, as such, some of them are exceptional. They're the little gems we try to find and bring to your attention; the first-time author with something to say that we all want to hear. And don't worry, from time-to-time we'll review the big guns as well, the A-list favorites like Michael Connolly and Lawrence Sanders, the giants of the mystery universe, as well as other well-known writers, but we're trying to find your next favorite author as well, and this week we have a new up and coming author for you.

*The Bricklayer*, (William Morrow, 2010, \$24.99, 390pages, ISBN 978-0-06-182701-3) by Noah Boyd is a first novel that's packed with surprises. The action is fast-paced and relentless with new twists and turns in every chapter as well as sharp, snappy dialogue that captures the essence of protagonist Steve Vail and various other good, bad and indifferent characters in law enforcement and criminal enterprises. Mr. Boyd, a twenty-year veteran FBI officer, has an eye for detail, an ear for dialogue and the heart of a veteran spinner of stories as he takes us along for the ride while the FBI tries to track down a master extortionist and cop-killer intent on committing the perfect crime.

In the opening scene, Steve Vail, a former FBI agent and non-conformist hero, thwarts a bank robbery in progress when he knocks two would-be bank robbers out cold and tosses them through a plate glass window for good measure. He then disappears, avoiding publicity. The FBI tracks him down and enlists his aid to find an extortionist who's made off with a couple of million dollars and killed five people, two of whom were FBI agents. The action and the plot turns never let up until the surprise conclusion on the last page.

You'll be rooting for Vail, the non-organizational outsider who refuses to adhere to the FBI bureaucracy while trying to outwit an evil mastermind who always seems to be one move ahead of them. *The Bricklayer* is perfect light reading that will provide hours of relaxation. It's a great debut from a first-time author. Drop us an email letting us know what you think of Noah Boyd and *The Bricklayer*.

And while you're at it, would you tell us what you think of your local library? Is it attractive, well-stocked and easy to use? Is the library staff helpful and knowledgeable? Did you find a book to read? What's that? You haven't tried the library yet? You don't even have a free library card? Have you surrendered . . . to ignorance ???

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You'll hear from us next week . . . when we'll have another new book review, just for you. --JDM

**CWC Recounts 2012 Achievements**

The Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) held its 16th Annual Meeting of member towns April 2 when results of Director elections were announced and 2012 achievements were recounted.

Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor of the Town of Olive and one of two Ulster County representatives on the CWC Board, was reelected to a four-year term in balloting among ten fellow Ulster County Watershed Supervisors. Donald "Mike" Brandow, Supervisor of the Town of Conesville, was also re-elected. There are four Supervisors of Schoharie County Watershed Towns.

Officers of the Board for 2013-14 are President Georgianna Lepke of Neversink, First Vice President Berndt Leifeld of Olive, Second Vice President Robert Pelham of Windham, Treasurer James Eisel of Harpersfield and Secretary Brandow.

**Program achievements**

At the Annual Meeting, staff members provided an overview of CWC activities and accomplishments during 2012. They included:

- Completion of 80 property connections to the Ashland wastewater treatment system, commencement of construction on the Trout Creek Community Wastewater Management Project, and progress on designs of wastewater systems in Lexington and South Kortright.
- Completion of seven stormwater control projects, in Andes, Mt. Tremper, Walton, Kortright, Delhi and Woodstock
- Repair and/or replacement of 292 residential septic systems throughout the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River (WOH). Another 153 homeowners were reimbursed half the cost of pumping and inspecting their on-site systems through the CWC's Septic Maintenance Program.
- Replacement of two septic systems for businesses: Rocco's Steakhouse and Speakeasy in Shandaken, and Stone Tavern Farm in Roxbury
- Award of 22 Watershed Education Grants totaling just under \$120,000 to schools and organizations serving students and teachers in the WOH Watershed and in New York City.

A temporary program to help property owners and municipalities remove debris left in streams by Tropical Storm Irene in August of 2011 was completed in 2012. Eighty-seven projects were approved for reimbursement.

Total program expenditures in 2012 came to \$14 million, most of which was circulated among contractors, suppliers, businesses and community organizations throughout the 1600-square-mile region where the CWC works.

**Economic Development**

In addition to programmatic expenditures, the CWC, through its Economic Development program, distributed millions more in loans and support for flood damaged businesses and for special projects.

The Business Flood Recovery Program distributed a total of 150 grants totaling more than \$3 million to help commercial enterprises get back in operation following the 2011 storm.

Ten low-interest REDI Loans totaling \$2.7 million were provided to businesses large and small in Watershed Towns. These loans, which leveraged an additional \$1.4 million, are expected to save or create 58 jobs.

Among special projects funded by the Catskill Fund for the Future (CFF) was the expansion of the New York City Reservoir Recreational Boating program. The CWC supported boat cleaning vendors,

portable toilet rentals, and brochure production. Nearly 1,000 boaters enjoyed the Pepacton, Neversink, Schoharie and Cannonsville Reservoirs last season. For details, visit [www.thecatkillregion.com](http://www.thecatkillregion.com).

Another of the special projects supported by the CFF was the redevelopment of the Ashokan Center in Olivebridge, completed in late 2012. A new, energy efficient campus has been sited above the Esopus Creek with assistance from the NYC Department of Environmental Protection which uses the valley as a release outlet for the Ashokan Reservoir.

The eCenter in Margaretville, a project of the Catskill Development Foundation, was also supported by the CWC. It expects to welcome its first business tenants soon.

Ongoing CFF-funded projects include the Catskills Grass Bio-Energy Project, the extension of broadband service by Margaretville Telephone Co. into southern Schoharie County, and renovations to the Mountaintop Library and Learning Center in Tannersville.

Special educational activities sponsored by the CWC in 2012 included professional development workshops for engineers, septic designers and contractors; training for municipal officials and planners; a disaster preparation seminar for community leaders and agency representatives; and three free performances of Arm-of-the-Sea Theater's "City That Drinks the Mountain Sky," which brought the development of the NYC water system to life for more than 300 people.

These and other CWC activities are detailed in the 2012 Annual Report which may be found on the Corporation's redesigned website, [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org). Hard copies may be obtained by calling 845-586-1400.

**Last Call to Submit Photographs for the Jeff Bank 2014 Photo Calendar Contest**

The deadline to submit photographs for the Jeff Bank 2014 Calendar Photo Contest is Friday, April 19 at 6:00 p.m. Organized by the Catskill Art Society, the theme of the contest is the Four Seasons of Nature & Landscapes in Sullivan County, NY.

Jeff Bank is seeking photographers interested in submitting up to four (4) color images, preferably depicting each of the four seasons, for their 2014 Calendar. Recognizable locations are preferred, but not mandatory.

All entries must include a completed application form (available at all Jeff Bank branches, online at [www.jeffbank.com](http://www.jeffbank.com) or by contacting [bradley@catskillartsociety.org](mailto:bradley@catskillartsociety.org)), a CD with a maximum of four images in digital, horizontal JPEG format in the largest file size available (preferably 16M or larger - this is an opened JPEG), and a signed photo release. There is a contest entry fee of \$5 payable to CAS. All entries must be hand delivered to the CAS Arts Center at 48 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY or sent by post to CAS, PO Box 991, Livingston Manor, NY 12758 by April 19. Please note that this is not a postmark deadline.

This initiative is an ongoing partnership between CAS and Jeff Bank, started in 2009 to support the

local arts community and to give talented photographers a venue to share their work with the public.

If you have any questions, please contact Bradley Diuguid at 845-436-4227 or [bradley@catskillartsociety.org](mailto:bradley@catskillartsociety.org).

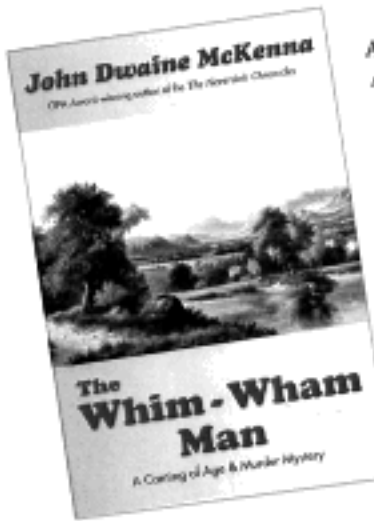
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## The Olive Jar - Carol LaMonda

### Good News

The noon news is blaring in the background with a medley of bad news-- war, saber rattling in Asia, accidents, poor job reports, and the market is heading south for the day. To counteract the flow of depressing news stories, I have vowed that this column be light and fraught with good news.

Gilles Malkine has a wonderful exhibit of photos and sketches at the Olive Free Library to complement his poetry and music recital this Saturday night.

The Olive Democrats are having a SPRING FLING on Saturday, April 13 from 4-6 p.m. at the Boiceville Inn. The Beer, wine and cheese party is free and promises special entertainment.

People are strolling on the Reservoir Walkway being wary to avoid the fertilizer of the Canada Geese that have come back to raise their goslings. What a fantastic view we have as we walk in the fresh air and look at the surrounding vista of mountains.

Some houses that had stood vacant are sold and being spruced up by homeowners lucky enough to find a place in Olive.

Neighbors are out walking, raking and chatting as they make that transition to spring, so late in coming. My over-enthusiastic husband moved the LL Bean hammock to the deck and set out the loungers. Perhaps we could wear sweatshirts and bring out afghans and pretend we are on the upper deck of a cruise ship.

The thermometer is almost at sixty degrees. I have doors open and even raked a bit of the winter's leaves that buried the little shoots of green brave enough to poke forth in March's cold temperatures.

Lastly, in my attempt to brighten your spirits, I would like to share the recipe for homemade granola that I just made. It is so easy, cheap, and homey as the flavor fills the house with vanilla and cinnamon. Enjoy and be healthy. Making this is sure to put you in a good mood.

### Granola

3 cups old fashioned oats

1 cup nuts (pecans, walnuts and almonds work well. Sometimes I use all three.)

1 cup raw sunflower seeds (you can add flax and sesame too)

1 Tablespoon of cinnamon ( Cardamon is nice too)

1 Tablespoon of vanilla or almond flavoring

1/2 cup of shredded coconut

Plp that all in a bowl. Heat 1/3 cup Canola oil and 1/3 cup of honey (Maple syrup is nice and Karo syrup works too) Pour over granola ingredients and mix.

Bake on parchment on cookie sheet for 25 minutes at 350 degrees.



**RESERVOIR MUSIC NOTES-**  
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### Cahill Supports Combined Catskill Mountain Rail with Trail- Secures \$2 Million for Project Within the New York State Budget with Public Input Contingency

Assemblymember Kevin Cahill (D - Ulster, Dutchess) announced today his commitment to adding a recreational trail to the already successful Catskill Mountain Rail Road corridor. Once complete, the Catskill Mountain Rail Trail would stretch for 38 miles from the City of Kingston, along the Ashokan Reservoir to the Delaware County line.

"The amazing work of volunteers over a couple

Fred had an attack of "Spring Fever" this week! He will be back next week. In the meantime, he will be posting this week's column on his website: [reservoirmusiccenter.com](http://reservoirmusiccenter.com) on Wednesday, so you can look for his 'good word' there! He hopes you all are enjoying the sunshine, too!

### SUNY Colleges Announce Affiliation with Brazilian Foundation for Field Research

Donald C. Katt, President of SUNY Ulster, announced a new affiliation with two SUNY colleges and an educational foundation in Brazil. He said, "Since 2007 SUNY Ulster has worked to establish a permanent biological research station in the State of Amazonas in Brazil. I am pleased to announce that goal has been attained."

Acting upon SUNY Chancellor Nancy L. Zimpher's Six Big Ideas and notions of shared services and systemness, Ulster County Community College's Biology Department and SUNY Oswego's Global Laboratory have joined forces. In January of 2013 Richard Cattabiani and Dr. Cleane Medeiros, faculty members from SUNY Ulster and SUNY Oswego respectively, traveled to Novo Airão to be installed on the Board of Directors of Fundação Almerinda Malaquias. This foundation has built and maintains several permanent field stations in the State of Amazonas. Deborah F. Stanley, President at SUNY Oswego said, "The new alliance forged by SUNY Ulster and SUNY Oswego will enable students and faculty from all SUNY colleges and universities to benefit from a permanent facility for scientific expeditions to the Amazon Rain Forest." SUNY Ulster and SUNY Oswego have already discussed opportunities with faculty from SUNY Albany, Cortland, Plattsburgh and Genesee Community College. Stanley added, "As our students and faculty pursue environmental research with colleagues in Brazil, they will make discoveries and build international ties that hold great promise for the future."

Novo Airão is a UNESCO World Heritage site so designated for its natural significance. During their January visit, the SUNY faculty members also met with the Mayor of the City of Novo Airão to promote a system to sustain efforts already begun by Fundação Almerinda Malaquias to support ecological education in the city's public schools. SUNY Ulster will be offering its sixteenth BIO106: Tropical Field Ecology course in Brazil this summer from June 3 to 15. SUNY Oswego and SUNY Ulster are planning a combined course in Brazil in 2014.

### Schumer, Gillibrand Announce Nearly \$150,000 for Hudson Valley Fire Depts. Funds to Purchase Updated Breathing Apparatus and Safety Equipment

U.S. Senators Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand announced Yulan Fire Department Inc. is set to receive \$34,913 to purchase turnout gear and the Pelham Manor Fire Department is set to receive \$108,175 in federal funding to purchase a new SCOTT SCBA's and bottles. The money was allocated through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program.

"With this funding, first responders in the Hudson Valley can focus on their important work knowing they have reliable new gear," said Senator Schumer. "This investment will help ensure that our local heroes from the Yulan and Pelham Manor Fire Departments have the turnout gear and SCBAs that will enable them to respond as effectively and safely as possible."

"This is an important investment for both Yulan Fire Department Inc. and the Pelham Manor Fire Department," Senator Gillibrand said. "It's our responsibility to ensure our first responders have the most up-to-date equipment to serve our communities. The new air packs and turnout gear will help these fire departments respond to emergencies more efficiently and effectively, and help save more lives."

"The Yulan Fire Department is very happy and pleased that we were selected by FEMA for this award," said Philip Johnson, Treasurer of the Yulan Fire Department.

Pelham Manor Fire Department Chief Joseph Ruggiero said, "We are grateful to our Senators and to FEMA, that they realize the need to assist local municipalities in supplying the necessary equipment for our firefighters to do their jobs more safely and effectively."

Located in southern Sullivan County, Yulan Fire Department Inc. is supported by approximately 100 members and responds to nearly 100 calls annually. Yulan Fire Department Inc. will use the federal funds to purchase 15 complete sets of turnout gear, which will help the first responders serve the local community at their highest level.

The Pelham Manor Fire Department will use the federal funds to purchase 18 new SCOTT SCBA's and 36 bottles for those units, which will help to upgrade the first responder's equipment. The Pelham Manor Fire Department is supported by 17 professional firefighters and 25 volunteer firefighters who serve their community in Westchester County, and respond to approximately 500 to 700 calls annually.

Schumer was an original sponsor of the legislation that led to the creation of this funding program for local governments and fire departments to help defray the rising costs of equipment and fire prevention. The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program funds can go towards training, equipment, personal protective equipment, wellness and fitness, and modifications to fire stations and facilities.

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program assists local fire departments in programs and activities to improve the effectiveness of firefighting operations through specialized emergency training for response to situations like terrorist attacks; enhancement of emergency medical services programs; development of health and safety initiatives; establishment of fire education and prevention programs; creation of wellness and fitness programs; and equipment and facility upgrades.

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"I would like to thank Assemblymember Cahill for securing the funding for this important project. I look forward to the public discussion that will soon take place. I'm confident that locals will love the final Catskill Mountain Rail Trail on the former Ulster-Delaware Railroad and that tourists will flock to it as a great way to enjoy all that the Hudson Valley has to offer," said Ulster County Legislator Robert Parete.

"I was successful in advocating for the inclusion of a public comment period which will assure that reasonable voices will prevail," said Cahill of the requirement that a public planning process be held before state funds can be paid out. "I look forward to the eventual completion of this recreational resource which will benefit locals and tourists alike."

The Assistance to Firefighters Grants are administered by the Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency in cooperation with the Department's United States Fire Administration. The grants are awarded on a competitive basis to the applicants that most closely address the program's priorities and demonstrate financial need. More information on the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program can be accessed at <http://www.firegrantsupport.com/>.

### SUNY Ulster Holds Spring Open House on April 27

SUNY Ulster will hold its annual one-stop shop for perspective students to learn everything they want to know about attending the college at the Spring Open House on April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on the Stone Ridge campus.

Attendees and their families can learn about affording college, gaining real-world professional experiences, meet the college leaders, tour the campus and get a taste of student life.

The open house kicks off with registration at 10 a.m. at the Vanderlyn Hall Theater entrance, followed by continental breakfast in the Campus Bookstore Lobby in Vanderlyn Hall. College President Dr. Donald C. Katt will make opening remarks at 10:30 a.m. in Quimby Theater.

Attendees can catch the "admissions buzz," from 10:45 to 11:15 a.m. during a fun and interactive information session led by Director of Admissions Matthew T. Green with current SUNY Ulster students.

A trio of sessions on "Getting Started & Paying for Your College Education" will be offered for students to select from at 1:30 to 2 p.m.: Affording College Costs - Financial Aid Info Session, Career Exploration for the Undecided Student and Get Involved in Campus Life.

SUNY Ulster also will present information on several popular programs that provide students with real-world professional experience that can help provide a competitive edge when transferring or entering the job market, including Graphic Design, Nursing, Veterinary Technology and Theater.

An Information Fair will be held from 11:30 to 2 p.m. in the Student Life Center and campus tours will run every half hour from 11:45 to 1:45 p.m..

Attendees are invited to view artwork by current students in a special sneak peak of the "Student Works 2013" display in the Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Attendees also will have the chance to win door prizes and SUNY Ulster gear.

Space for the Spring Open House is limited. Advance reservations are required. To register online, go to [www.sunyulster.edu/Visit](http://www.sunyulster.edu/Visit), call 1-800-724-0833, ext. 5022, or e-mail: [admissions@sunyulster.edu](mailto:admissions@sunyulster.edu).

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All proceeds from the bake and lunch sale will go to support the Alice Kreiter Senior Citizen Prom, slated to take place at the Monticello Firehouse from 4-8pm on May 11th, 2013. This free event, which includes dinner and entertainment, is open to all senior citizens in the Monticello School district.

If you would like to learn how you can make a donation to help support the Alice Kreiter Senior Citizen Prom or would like further information regarding volunteer opportunities or how to get on the guest list, please call Kathy Kreiter at (845) 665-1333 or Barbi Neumann Marty at (845)747-9174

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**"Eclectic Reflections," The Art of Tatiana Bogdanovich, Comes to Old Stone House in May**

The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck is pleased to present "Eclectic Reflections," the Art of Tatiana Bogdanovich, from May 5th-31st. The exhibition leads off with an opening-day reception on May 5th, from 2:00-4:00 pm. Visitors can view the show on subsequent weekends from 12:00-3:00 pm through May 31st.



Ms. Bogdanovich, who lives in Pine Bush, is a woman of unusual artistic talent, but she spent most of her working career embedded deeply within the world of business. Both her parents were successful accountants in the former Yugoslavia, where she grew up, and she earned her college degree in Business Management. While on a working trip to the U.S. in 1991, war broke out in her home country. So she entered the corporate world here, and built a whole new life in the field of investment banking.

Tatiana Bogdanovich with her work

But "art was my first love and passion since elementary school," Ms. Bogdanovich says today, adding:

"I was fortunate to have as an art teacher Natalija Karic-Slijepcevic, a great artist who inspired and encouraged me tremendously, as she does even today, since we are still very much in contact." Her mentor, widely regarded as one of the top artists to emerge from Belgrade in recent decades, has works held in premier collections throughout Europe and Asia.

But her own artistic side suffered from the constraints of work. "I had very little time to paint or draw," she recalls. "I did a painting here and there, but my canvases were mostly collecting dust." Still, after two decades in business, Ms. Bogdanovich slowly let her creative side re-emerge. "People in banking always said that 'time is money.' But I realized that time is not money. Time is life."

"If you lose money," she explained, "you can always make it

back. But each moment of your life that passes is gone forever, and never comes back." She calls this realization her personal "mid-life crisis," during which "I was not feeling fulfilled, and I was extremely stressed out and unhappy."

Fortunately, she is surrounded by "a wonderful family, my ultimate love and inspiration," her husband and both of her children "encouraged me to get out my brushes, my paint, my canvas. And here I am, loving every single moment!" For a brief while, her creativity took the form of designing interiors for a home-improvement firm, but even that was overcome by the desire to experience the wider world of art.

Now, with a brand new career underway, "I do not want to limit myself to any particular themes or styles," she says. "I love realism, impressionism, contemporary concepts, but I like to experiment with abstract art as well."

In short, she says, "I love to wake up and surprise myself. I love both strong and muted colors, depending on my mood. I might paint a horse, a stylized flower, a still life, a dancer, a landscape, a little bit of this or a little bit of that."

"I am a happy and positive person. I love beauty, and I find beauty in everything surrounding us. Sometimes I find inspiration in something I see. Sometimes my mind takes me on an unexpected wonderful voyage. Part of my soul that was missing for such a long time is found, and now I feel content and fulfilled. Art has helped me to feel whole, and for that I am so grateful."

Tatiana Bogdanovich can be contacted at (917) 340-0810. The Old Stone House of Hasbrouck is at 282 Hasbrouck Rd. near Woodbourne, NY, easy to reach from Grahamsville, Liberty, Monticello and Ellenville. For driving directions and more information, visit the web site at www.TheOldStoneHouseOfHasbrouck.org.

**Belleayre 22nd Season Lineup**

Country star Dwight Yoakam and rock icons the Doobie Brothers highlight the diverse lineup for the Belleayre Music Festival's 22nd season. Tickets go on sale April 15.

Latin jazz, Broadway, opera and comedy will also be part of the mix as the summer music festival continues its tradition of presenting acts from across the entertainment spectrum.

Dwight Yoakam kicks things off in hard-charging fashion on Saturday, July 6. Dwight traces the roots of his stardom to country music, but offers a universal appeal that spans genres.

Up next on Saturday, July 13 will be the Manhattan

Transfer, recognized as the world's foremost vocal group.

The music shifts to the ultimate in classic rock when the legendary Doobie Brothers hit the stage with their hit-filled show on Saturday, July 20.

The Belleayre Festival Opera presents Bizet's "Carmen" on Saturday, July 27. The opera is an annual highlight on the mountain.

The Catskill Mountain Jazz Series will span five extraordinary performances. The jazz series opens with three Hot Latin Nights.

On Thursday, Aug. 1, the series opens with the Sammy Figueroa Latin Dance Explosion in the Jazz Club. The phenomenal Pedrito Martinez Havana Quartet will light up the Jazz Club on Friday, Aug. 2.

The series moves to the Main Stage on Saturday, Aug. 3 with what promises to be an inspired performance by the Paquito D'Rivera and the Dizzy Gillespie Big Band.

The second weekend of the Catskill Mountain Jazz Series features "Two Piano Masters".

Keyboard wizard Bill Charlap will play the Jazz Club

with his trio on Friday, Aug. 9. Kenny Barron's 70th Birthday Celebration will be marked on Saturday, Aug. 10 with Kenny Barron's All-Star Quintet featuring a stellar lineup presenting a show guaranteed to among the season's highlights.

It's Broadway at Belleayre on Saturday, Aug. 17 when song-and-dance legend Ben Vereen takes the stage.

The action shifts to laughter the next weekend when the festival presents Comedy in the Catskills II. Harrison Greenbaum, who left the audience roaring during last year's warmup appearance, will present his full routine in the Comedy Club on Friday, Aug. 23. Veteran funny woman Rita Rudner headlines on the Main Stage on Saturday, Aug. 24.

The season closes in theatrical rock style when the Belleayre Festival Orchestra presents The Music of Pink Floyd on Saturday, Aug. 31. This year marks the 40th anniversary of "Dark Side of the Moon," one of the most enduring albums of all time. The show will feature a full rock band by Windborne Music in addition to the orchestra. Brent Havens, who guided last year's Led Zeppelin tribute, will conduct the show that will also feature many other Pink Floyd hits.

All shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets for all shows go on sale April 15 via Ticketmaster. For additional information, please call 800 942-6904, ext. 1344, visit: belleayremusic.org or e-mail: belleayremusicfestival@gmail.com

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Belleayre Mountain is located in the heart of New York's Catskill Mountain region, and is operated by the Olympic Regional Development Authority. The ski resort is located just off Route 28 and is 37 miles west of Thruway Exit 19 at Kingston; 55 miles southeast of Oneonta on Route 28; 40 miles from the Route 17 exit at Roscoe; and 95 miles southwest of Albany and just two hours north of NYC.



**A Journal Worth Reading**

Pastor Bob Kersten and Pastor Susan Woodworth recently participated in another Volunteer in Mission trip to Ecuador through the New York Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. During their first VIM trip to Ecuador in 2012, they fell in love with the country and the people and were delighted to be able to return in March of this year. Sue kept a journal on their trip, which follows.

VIM Ecuador 2013 Journal - By Susan Woodworth

**Friday, March 1** - We have arrived! We are thrilled to be back in this vibrant, colorful, exotic country. We've been awake since 6am Thursday, so we're feeling a tad weary now, and are just running on excitement. Our travels went well, and we were surprised to make a quick stop in San Jose, Costa Rica as well!

Tonight we will be here at the Conference Center after dinner. Tomorrow we will leave early for the textile markets in Otavalo, then will drive the 5 hours down to Santo Domingo, where we will stay until next Friday, working with the folks of the Methodist Church in El Carmen.

**Saturday, March 2, 2013** - Friday evening and all day today have brought many blessings, as we've soaked up a kaleidoscopic stimulation of all of our senses. We have reunited with friends made last year. We've made new friends, walked the cobblestone streets and sidewalks of Colonial Quito, eaten scrumptious Ecuadorian foods, and purchased bags full of brightly colored scarves to sell back in the states, in support of the next VIM trip and the ongoing collaborative mission work here.

The most delightful surprise so far came last night, when Pastora Blanca (the young pastor from the indigenous mountain community of Romerillos, where we worked last year) came into the Conference Center for a meeting. She was so happy to see us, and vice versa. She and her people have continued the work on which we partnered with them, building walls and a roof (for a fellowship hall) onto their tiny church, and then completing work on a 2nd floor of this addition (an apartment). As of February, the apartment is residence for a 23 year old United Methodist Young Adult Missionary from Indiana (through the Board of Global Ministry) who is living and working there for the next year. Blanca was thrilled to tell us about Becky, the work she is doing in the community, as well as teaching English to the children. Hearing about Becky and her work REALLY got my juices going - all I could think about was meeting this young woman, and finding a way, someday, to return to Romerillos, to live and work for a couple of months.

This morning, when we came downstairs at the Center, Blanca AND Becky were there to greet us! They had stayed overnight at the Center (unbeknownst to us) after their meeting, and planned to have breakfast with us. We had a lovely visit with Becky, traded emails, got her blog address, etc. Plans to stop in Romerillos on this trip so far had not worked out, but after meeting Becky, Bob and I are REALLY motivated to take specific time and go to Romerillos. So we're working on that plan, with Oscar's help. We want to see the apartment, take pictures, etc. What a bonus!

After shopping and lunch (serenaded by street musicians) in Otavalo today, our trusted bus driver, Jorge, drove us the 5 hours out of the mountains, to a modest hotel in Santo Domingo. It felt good to unpack, knowing that we'll be here for the next 6 nights. From Santo Domingo, we will travel each day down to El Carmen, to our work site. As usual, many of our work plans have had to be altered, due to things beyond our control. Good thing FLEXIBILITY is the name of our game! We will worship in El Carmen on Sunday morning, then will spend time Sunday afternoon with an indigenous tribe nearby, learning more about the many fascinating cultures of this jewel of a country.

**Day 3, Sunday, March 3 - Humidity, City, and Indigenous Tribe**

We enjoyed a day of extremes, a bit of a more relaxed schedule, and lots of hot, humid weather. As Oscar reminds us, "It ALWAYS rains in Santo Domingo." That proved true, which explains the humidity.

We worshiped at one of the UM churches here in Santo Domingo, where we were warmly welcomed. Arturo, the grandpa of our group, offered the sermon. After lunch, we traveled to visit the indigenous community of Los Tsa'chilas, and the living-history-type of museum they have created (in the midst of a rain forest/banana plantation), preserving their tradition. They are the natives of Santo Domingo de los Colorados, and 2500 of them live in their 7 remaining communities. Our time with them was so sacred and beautiful, and we of course were able to purchase some of their crafts. Their lifestyle and gentle, pacifist ways gave us a beautiful contrast to the city of Santo Domingo, population 500,000.

Tomorrow we leave early for El Carmen, and our first day of work. There will surely be some surprises, new friends, and a lot of sweat going on!

**Day 4, Monday, March 4 - Extreme Work Day!**

Phew. We are one exhausted team tonight. It did feel great to begin our work this morning, in El Carmen, a small city about 45 minutes from Santo Domingo. Together, with the local workers, in the heat and humidity, we moved 1000 wet cement blocks, hoisted all 1000 of them with rope and pulley up to the second floor, sifted sand (for cement making) and did a lot of sweating! The church ladies fed us an incredible lunch, and we all enjoyed that break mid-day.

We had been told we'd have 40 children for VBS at 4pm, for one hour. At 2pm, 120 children showed up, ready for VBS. OY. We shifted major gears, and flew into action, started VBS at 3pm, and finished around 4:30. We've been told that we'll have between 160-200 children tomorrow! They all seemed to enjoy the singing, skit, and crafts, and were already very generous with their hugs and big smiles.

Hoping for an earlier bedtime tonight - knowing that we are going to wake up with achy bodies tomorrow. As Stephanie said at one point, while we were hauling cement blocks, "I sure hope no one asks me to go bowling tonight."

**Tuesday, March 5, 2013 - Day 5 - Offering Support**

We had a great day - not quite as hot and humid as yesterday, and the work was not as strenuous, although we still worked our butts off! We hoisted buckets of sand up to



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the 2nd floor, sifted sand and moved more cement blocks (now up on the 2nd floor) all morning, assisting the Mason who is doing the block work. We prepped for and worked with 160 children at VBS in the afternoon. We're pros now!



Vacation Bible School at El Carmen

The most meaningful time of the day (for me) was at lunch (the food is incredible) when Pastor Vivas (pastor of this church, along with 3 others, and he's a District Superintendent as well) told us how much our presence, care, and work means to him and his family right now. His wife (also a pastor, and very active partner in ministry with him) passed away unexpectedly 10 days ago. She had coordinated and planned all of the VBS, and the food service for our time at their church. One of her adult daughters, who lives with her family and works in Guayaquil (5 hours away) took this week off from work, to fill in for her mother, while we are in town. When we arrived yesterday with our theme and crafts, etc, for Monday and Tuesday (Noah and the Ark), we learned from this daughter, Devora, that her Mom had planned the exact same curriculum for Wed. and Thurs. (the days that the church had taken responsibility for the VBS program). She's flexible, and has alternate plans! Two other adult children and their families live in the area, and have also been very involved in all of the work this week. Pastor Vivas expressed how loved and supported his family is feeling, through our presence. Their faces and their hearts are sad, but they are carrying on, and grateful that we are here.



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**PLEASE NOTE: THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS WILL BE 4:30 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013.**

Pool Director for the season will be Janet Carey. For further information please call Town Hall at 985-2262, ext. 305 or Mrs. Carey at 985-7391. You can also e-mail Mrs. Carey at: jcarey1789@aol.com.

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SEPARATE SEALED BID proposals will be received by the District Clerk until 2:00 PM prevailing time on Friday, April 19, 2013 at the Administration Building, 34 Moore Hill Rd, Grahamsville, New York 12740 (845) 985-2296 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

ANY BID received after the time and date stated above will be returned to the bidder unopened.

THE BID is for Boiler and Boiler Parts "only", which should include shipping to the site (Tri-Valley CSD). Cost of the Rental assembly tool has to include shipping to and from the site (Tri-Valley CSD).

ANY INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS regarding the above BID may be addressed with the Buildings and Grounds Superintendent at (845) 985-2296 Ext. 5317.

EACH BIDDER is required to comply in all respects, with the provisions of Section 103-D of the General Municipal Law. All bids must include a proper certification of non-collusion (form provided in bid packet), and a copy of a resolution authorizing execution on behalf of a corporation, if bidder is a corporation.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any

informalities or defects in such bid either before or after opening.

NO BIDDER may withdraw his bid within 45 days after the date of the opening of bids.

Dated: April 4, 2013  
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF TRI-VALLEY CSD  
GRAHAMSVILLE, SULLIVAN COUNTY, NEW YORK  
Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk  
Phone: 845-985-2296 ext.5205

4/11; 4/18

**Tri-Valley Central School District  
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Kindergarten Registration for the 2013-2014 school year will take place on Thursday, April 25, 2013, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Elementary School Cafeteria and Elementary School Office at the Tri-Valley Central School District. If you have not received any information about your child's registration yet, please call Kathi Smith at 985-2296 x 5405 to begin this process.

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**SCDW Casting Call for Alice in Wonderland**

Sullivan County Dramatic Workshop Announces a Casting Call for "Alice in Wonderland" (Children's Theatre) Directed by Bunny Woloszczak Auditions: Saturday and Sunday, April 20, 21 from 10 am - 1 pm Rivoli Theatre, 5243 Main Street (Route 42) South Fallsburg, NY (Show Dates July 17, 19, 20, 21 at the Rivoli Theatre) Needed: Boys and Girls ages 5 - 18 You will be asked to sing, dance with a group and read. If you are a young one, we will help you with the reading. For additional information, phone Bunny at (845) 866-3206. Visit us online at www.scdw.net

**Application Period for Review and Inclusion of Land into the Sullivan County Agricultural Districts Open April 1st 2013 through April 30th 2013**

Sullivan County is currently conducting its eight year review of Agricultural District 1, which includes the possible inclusion of additional parcels of viable agricultural land, and its annual thirty day window for inclusion of viable agricultural land into Agricultural District 4.

The eight year review of Agricultural District 1 is a comprehensive evaluation of the farm resources within the District. Between April 1st 2013 and April 30th 2013, municipalities and landowners within Agricultural District 1 may propose a modification of the District by filing such proposal to the Clerk of the Sullivan County Legislature. Landowners may also request the inclusion of additional parcels into Agricultural District 1 during this period. The eight year review provides an opportunity for landowners to either renew their commitment to keeping property in Agricultural District 1, or to have it removed. All landowners who are currently enrolled in the District will be contacted by mail with a review form to be completed. Any landowner who wishes to be included in the District should contact Jennifer Mall in the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management for a review form to be completed. Agricultural District 1 includes lands in the Towns of Bethel, Callicoon, Cohecton, Delaware, Fremont, Liberty, Thompson and Tusten.

The period April 1st 2013 through April 30th 2013 also marks the annual thirty day window for inclusion of viable agricultural land into Agricultural District 4. During this period, the County will accept applications from property owners seeking to be included in this District. Landowners who wish

to be included in Agricultural District 4 should contact Jennifer Mall in the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management for an inclusion form to be completed. Agricultural District 4 includes lands in the Towns of Bethel, Fallsburg, Forestburgh, Highland, Liberty, Mamakating, Neversink, Rockland, Thompson and the Villages of Bloomingburg and Wurtsboro.

Agricultural Districts are intended to provide agricultural landowners with economic and regulatory incentives, to encourage the continued use of farmland for agricultural production. "By ensuring the preservation of viable farmland, the Agricultural District program is vital to the success of our farming industry, which has tremendous economic impacts for all of Sullivan County," said Legislator Cindy Kurpil Gieger, Chair of the County's Agriculture and Sustainability Policy Committee. The Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board will review all applications and make recommendations to the Sullivan County Legislature. The County Legislature will conduct separate public hearings for the Agricultural District 1 eight year review and the Agricultural District 4 thirty day window. Following review and approval by the Sullivan County Legislature, the proposed modification of Agricultural District 1, the proposed inclusion of additional parcels into Agricultural District 1, and the proposed inclusion of land into Agricultural District 4 will be reviewed and certified by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets.

Property owners who wish to be included in either Agricultural District, or who have questions about Agricultural Districts in general, should contact Jennifer Mall in the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management at 845-807-0532.

**If You Seek the Finest in Cardiology Services, Look First at Ellenville Hospital!**

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Dr. Saeeda Mahmud

We are pleased to announce that Ellenville Hospital's Director of Cardiology, Dr. Saeeda Mahmud—

has also joined forces with Health Quest's, Vassar Brothers Medical Center—one of America's top 100 hospitals for cardiovascular services.

For more information or to set up an appointment with Dr. Mahmud, please call Ellenville Hospital at 845-210-4901.



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## UC Use of Take Home Vehicles

### A Report on Cars, Costs & Controls

Kingston, NY (April 4, 2013)... With 26% of Ulster County's passenger vehicles and light trucks assigned to employees as "take-home" vehicles (82 of 318), the Office of the Ulster County Comptroller conducted a review of the procedures relating to the monitoring and managing of the fleet of commuting vehicles.

"By randomly sampling 37% of those vehicles identified as 'take-home' it became apparent that centralization, better record keeping and further procedural clarification could result in cost savings," County Comptroller Elliott Auerbach stated. "By calculating the commuting cost, using the industry standard of average fuel cost, maintenance, tires, insurance, fees, and depreciation and in some cases financing, it was evident that taxpayers could be annually underwriting \$369,000 to support this initiative," Auerbach continued.

The Comptroller stated that "our Report presented nine (9) essential findings, as well as twelve recommendations, which will improve both efficiency and economy. What I am most pleased about is the opportunity to work closely with County Executive Hein's Office and have a dialogue with his staff. With his cooperation we can work together to improve the administration, accuracy and accountability of the 'take home' fleet."

The Report can be found at [www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller](http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/comptroller).

## \$400 Million Dam Rehabilitation among Largest Public Works Projects in Catskills

New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Commissioner Carter Strickland today led a tour of the ongoing construction at Gilboa Dam to provide local, state, and federal officials, stakeholder groups, and the public with the latest information about the dam's full-scale rehabilitation. The \$400 million project includes reinforcing the dam with 234 million pounds of concrete, reconstructing the spillway, and installing a new release tunnel around the dam from Schoharie Reservoir into Schoharie Creek. Gilboa Dam has been in service for 85 years and impounds Schoharie Reservoir, the northernmost reservoir in the City's water supply system. Reconstruction of the Dam is the largest public works project in Schoharie County, and one of the largest in the entire Catskills. The project has created roughly 125 local jobs.

"The restoration of Gilboa Dam is an important project for the City and for communities in the Catskills," Commissioner Strickland said. "The project ensures the safety and reliability of New York City's water supply, while at the same time creating nearly 125 jobs for skilled tradesmen in and around the watershed."

Rehabilitation of the dam - initially scheduled to be complete in 2016 - is ahead of schedule. If work continues on its current timeline and weather conditions remain favorable, construction will be completed in 2014. DEP has installed more than three dozen post-tensioned anchors that improved the stability of the west training wall, in addition to the 80 anchors installed in 2006, to strengthen the dam by anchoring it into bedrock. DEP has also made significant progress on rehabilitating the concrete face of the dam. The original stone face of the dam had been damaged by years of freezing and thawing, which caused some of the stone to weaken and dislodge. The new concrete face will be carefully molded to look like stone.

In late February, workers completed installation of the second of two temporary siphons that carry water out of the reservoir, over the dam, and into the creek below. Each of the siphons is roughly six feet in diameter at its widest point and is capable of releasing up to 250 million gallons of water a day. The siphons are an important component of the reconstruction plan because they allow DEP to lower water levels, providing work crews with access to portions of the dam that would otherwise be obstructed by water. A video of the siphon can be viewed here: <http://youtu.be/8BMrREf2-Ac>. The siphons will later be replaced by a new release tunnel - also known as a "low-level outlet" - which is expected to be finished by 2019. The permanent release tunnel will be capable of releasing roughly 1,500 million gallons a day from the Schoharie Reservoir.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than one billion gallons of water each day to more than 9 million residents, including 8.3 million in New York City, and residents of Ulster, Orange, Putnam, and Westchester counties. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees, including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and others professionals in the upstate watershed. In addition to its \$68 million payroll and \$153 million in annual

taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.5 billion in watershed protection programs-including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council-that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with over \$14 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit [nyc.gov/dep](http://nyc.gov/dep), like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/nycwater](http://facebook.com/nycwater), or follow us on Twitter at [twitter.com/nycwater](http://twitter.com/nycwater).

## \$52 million in Unclaimed Funds Waiting for Staten Islanders

\$52 million in unclaimed funds waiting for Staten Islanders according to State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli and Borough President James P. Molinaro.

Staten Islanders have more than \$52 million in unclaimed funds parked at the state comptroller's office, and the borough president teamed up with the state to host a forum at Borough Hall last Thursday to get the word out and hopefully reunite residents with their money.

"This is money that has been unclaimed from people on Staten Island, and it could be from a checking account, it could be an account someone started and moved, it could be bonds, it could be stocks," said Borough President James Molinaro. "Times have been bad on Staten Island with Sandy, so this could be helpful."

The most common types of unclaimed funds originated from various bank accounts people may have lost track of after moving.

Inactive accounts also get forwarded to the state after a few years. Average payouts are between \$50 to \$100, but some are much higher. One account somewhere in the state totals \$1.7 million, DiNapoli said.

"The key thing about this program is that this is your money," DiNapoli said. "Because when we get it, it means you don't have it, and if your name is in the system we are giving you back your money."

On the Island there are 122,937 accounts holding \$52,376,508 that the state wants to return to its rightful owners, and that is just a small part of the more than \$12 billion state-wide waiting to be claimed.

Al Tabeek of Richmond was one of the first Islanders at the event to find six different accounts previously owned by his ex-wife, who died in the 9/11 terror attacks. He will be returning the funds to his daughter Crystal, a 23-year-old college student majoring in business.

"Surprisingly enough I found something in my name as well as my daughter's mom's name," Tabeek said. "This will really assist my daughter in the future."

For those 'Islanders' not able to make it there, or in fact, any other New Yorker, including our towns, you can check the state's website at [www.osc.state.ny.us](http://www.osc.state.ny.us) any time or call 1-800-221-9311 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to see if some of your lost money has been found!

## Schneiderman: FHFA Acting Director DeMarco's Policies Impede Economic Recovery And Hurt Struggling Homeowners Nationwide

New York Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman today published an op-ed in Politico calling on President Obama to replace Edward DeMarco, the acting Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, which oversees mortgage institutions Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Co-authored by Massachusetts Attorney General Martha Coakley, the op-ed notes that Acting Director DeMarco's refusal to provide relief to struggling homeowners stands in the way of progress toward a full economic recovery, hurting families nationwide. The following are excerpts of the article:

ON DEMARCO'S REFUSAL TO ALLOW MORTGAGE REDUCTIONS: Under DeMarco's leadership, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have refused to allow principal write-downs for underwater mortgages. At a House Financial Services Committee hearing last week, DeMarco was questioned by Congress and confronted by protesters calling for mortgage principal reduction, but he again refused to change his position. This failed policy is a direct impediment to our economic recovery and stands in way of our efforts to provide much needed assistance to homeowners across the country.

ON HELPING DISTRESSED HOMEOWNERS: Underwater homeowners are more likely to wind up in foreclosure. Even if they avoid foreclosure, they are saving every penny to try to pay down their debt. They can't spend at local businesses. They can't move for a better job, or invest in starting a small business. They are trapped under America's \$628 billion mountain of negative equity. It is in everyone's interest for lenders to work with distressed homeowners to reduce their debts and keep them in their homes.

ON THE NATIONAL MORTGAGE SETTLEMENT: Last year, we joined 47 other states in a national mortgage settlement with the five largest mortgage servicing banks, that has delivered billions in relief to homeowners at risk of foreclosure, including over \$17 billion in mortgage principal reduc-

tions. We are working to get more relief from lenders in the private sector, but these efforts are undercut by DeMarco's refusal to cooperate. The reality is, more than half of all mortgages in America are owned or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

ON THE ROLE OF THE FHFA DIRECTOR: Contrary to the findings of his own agency, DeMarco argued that principal reductions would weaken the finances of FHFA and produce a financial loser for taxpayers. These are two separate questions, only one of which is DeMarco's responsibility. He is responsible for the fiscal health of his agency. FHFA estimated that it would come out ahead by \$3.7 billion from the Administration's plan because of the aid from Treasury. It's likely that taxpayers as a whole will come out ahead as well. But even if they don't, if the Administration opts to use public resources to support a policy that prevents foreclosures, stimulates the economy and creates jobs, it's not the place of an acting agency head to stand in the way.

The full op-ed by Attorney General Schneiderman and Attorney General Coakley can be read here: [ag.ny.gov/press-release/op-ed-housing-agency-needs-new-leader](http://ag.ny.gov/press-release/op-ed-housing-agency-needs-new-leader).

## POLITICAL SLANT - Frank Comando - Press release & comment

### UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY PASSES ARMS TRADE TREATY, SENATE REBUFFS

On April 2, the United Nations General Assembly voted 153-4 to pass the Arms Trade Treaty, with the United States voting in favor and several countries abstaining. The vote in the General Assembly was necessary to push the treaty process forward after negotiations twice failed to deliver on the goal of developing the treaty by unanimous consent. The Obama Administration is expected to sign the treaty soon after it is opened for signature June 3.

The text of the approved treaty is deeply problematic and threatens the rights and privacy of American gun owners. Signatories are encouraged to keep information on the "end users" of arms imported into their territory and supply such information to the exporting country. Exporting nations, nearly all of which have civilian firearm control regimes far harsher than the U.S., are encouraged to take the firearm control laws of an importing country into account before approving a transfer of arms. The treaty also encourages states to adopt domestic legislation to facilitate the treaty's onerous requirements.

For U.S. gun owners, the fight now moves to the Senate, where the Obama administration would need to find 67 senators to ratify the treaty. A majority of senators have already made clear their opposition. On March 23, 53 senators endorsed an amendment to the Senate Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2014, "establish[ing] a deficit neutral fund" to oppose United States entrance into the treaty. Additionally, Sen. Jerry Moran (R-Kans.), along with 32 cosponsors, has put forth a concurrent resolution expressing the Senate's opposition to the ATT, as it "fails to expressly recognize the fundamental, individual right to keep and to bear arms and the individual right of personal self-defense... and thus risks infringing on freedoms protected by the Second Amendment."

Following U.N. passage of the treaty, several senators were quick to further register their opposition. In an April 2 press release from Sen. Moran made clear his continued opposition to the ATT, and urged his colleagues to do the same, noting, "Given the apparent support of the Obama Administration for the ATT, members of the U.S. Senate must continue to make clear that any treaty that violates our Second Amendment freedoms will be an absolute non-starter for ratification." Moran's office also pointed out that the General Assembly vote illustrates how the Obama Administration reneged in its previous insistence that the ATT be developed by consensus.

Is it time the American people woke up?

The UN declares war on the American people. The UN is attempting to dictate to the President, the Senate, the Congress, and the people of this great nation and establish what laws the American people should obey.

The consensus of the American working class is that the second amendment is sacred and necessary for the continued functioning of a democratic government under the confines of the US Constitution. It has been recorded in history that Democracies last only two hundred years, this is true if you allow corruption to govern; today we have corruption in the Justice department middle and lower levels of government.

Therefore the opinion of most of the working class is, if the second amendment is infringed upon, any elected official who supports these issues that allow the UN, the representative of the merchants of NWO to control our laws at this time is clearly destructive to democracy and by our laws and they should be impeached and possibly tried for treason.

To have your comments and/or questions published, space allowing, and townsman guidelines adhered to, as listed in the masthead, Email [politicalslant@yahoo.com](mailto:politicalslant@yahoo.com)

**Tri-Valley Lions  
Journey for Sight Annual Walk  
In Memory of Donald Ter Bush  
Saturday, May 4, 2013**  
Register at 8:30 am on  
Saturday, May 4, 2013  
at the Grahamsville First Aid Squad  
2.5 mile walk starts promptly at 9:00 am  
from the First Aid Squad Building  
**COME WALK WITH US!**  
Refreshments will be served before and  
after the walk  
For pledge sheets, questions or to make  
a pledge, call 985-2927 or 436-5810

CATSKILL MOUNTAIN ARCHERS  
**3 D SHOOT**  
**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT**  
**Wounded Warrior Xcursion**  
SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2013  
WOODBOURNE FIREMEN'S FIELD  
Registration 9:00 AM  
PENNY SOCIAL STYLE RAFFLE, FOOD  
LONG SHOT, RUNNING DEER  
**\$20 PER PERSON (INCLUDES LUNCH)**  
KIDS UNDER 16 SHOOT FREE  
Donations can be sent to: Catskill Mountain Archers, PO BOX 22, Southfield Park, NY 12445  
Make Check Payable to Sullivan County Landmarks  
CALL (845) 443-3068 FOR DETAILS

**Dementia: Assessing & Managing Pain**  
It can be tough for Caregivers to judge the level of pain that their loved ones are in when they cannot express it themselves. Caregivers looking to learn person-centered interventions for daily routines and assessment techniques for pain in people with dementia can attend Pain Assessment and Management for Individuals with Dementia, a class offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) Sullivan County's Caregiver Resource Center on Monday, May 20, 2013 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. This program is free and will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty. A light supper will be served. Pre-registrations are required by April 13 in order to have adequate supplies. Contact

CCE at 845-292-6180 to make a reservation. The class covers sharing information and problem-solving skills on how to assess and manage pain when an individual is coping with dementia. Donna Davies, LCSW of the Alzheimer's Association will guest speak, offering specific advice for when the care receiver is non-verbal and confused. This class is presented through a partnership between The Alzheimer's Association and Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County.

**Caps for Cancer**  
  
St. Jude's  
Childhood Cancer Research  
Sponsored by:  
Delaware Sullivan District Chapter  
Order of the Eastern Star  
Please help by bringing plastic bottle caps, jar lids (examples milk, soda, water, peanut butter, coffee lids, etc.) to one of the receptacles at **Cannie D's, Grahamsville Deli** and the **Town Hall**. They will be presented to the **Ogdensburg Scouts** in October for sorting and recycling.

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
of Sullivan County - at - Loch Sheldrake  
Presents  
Our 8th Annual Sportsmen's Banquet Dinner  
-at-  
the Loch Sheldrake Fire House - Rte-52, Loch Sheldrake, N.Y.  
Saturday - April 13th, 2013  
Starts 4:00 p.m. - ends \* 8:00 p.m.  
\*or until all door prizes are given out.  
**NOTICE:**  
Due to limited seating, Donations for Tickets must be made in advance to event date and Children less than New York State Legal Hunting Age, may not be admitted!  
Donation \$12.00 / person - Contact: Pastor Carl Caskey - (845) - 965-7410  
Trophy Display, Game Dinner, \*Door Prizes  
\*You must be present during the drawing to win!  
Special Guest Speakers  
Curtis Kenyon, David Stallard, Jeff Murphy and Philip Stallard  
The Call Outdoors  


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**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
  
SUNDAY, APRIL 21  
Serving 7:00 until Noon  
ADULTS \$7  
CHILDREN UNDER 12, \$3  
UNDER 5YRS. FREE  
\$50 FROM THE BREAKFAST IS DONATED TO THE CLARYVILLE REFORMED CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

**SPRING CLEANING?**  
Sullivan County Prenancy Support Center is looking for donations for a yard sale  
Baby Clothes Toys  
Hats Jackets  
Outdoor furniture Indoor Furniture  
Lawn Ornaments Christmas items  
Kitchen items Tools  
Framed art Exercise equipment  
Basically anything that is in fairly good condition and still has value to someone else.  
The yard sale will be Memorial Weekend Fundraiser event.  
Please contact Karen Gorr to arrange for pick up or drop off at 292-3749 or 985-7735.  
Sullivan County Pregnancy Support Center  
155 North Main Street  
PO Box 832  
Liberty, NY 12754  
845-292-2224

**TIME & THE VALLEYS MUSEUM**  
GRAHAMSVILLE, NY  
2013 Hours - Memorial Day to Labor Day  
Thursday to Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.  
September and October-Saturday and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.  
Other days and times by appointment.  
**2013 Admission Fees**  
Adults suggested donation: \$5  
Children (6 to 17) suggested donation: \$2  
Children under 6: FREE  
Town of Neversink Residents: FREE every Thursday  
Town of Denning Residents: FREE first Saturday of the month  
Call: 985-7700  
Time and the Valleys Museum has copies of every Townsman printed since the beginning (1947) classified by year for anyone to research.  
[timeandthevalleymuseum.org](http://timeandthevalleymuseum.org)

**The Hurleyville and Woodridge United Methodist Churches**  
invite you to weekly worship:  
**9 am in Hurlyeville,**  
**10:30 am in Woodridge.**  
For more information, call  
Pastor Susan Woodworth 985-2283

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**CrossWay Assembly of God**  
Service Times  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Sunday Worship Service/  
Children's Church 10:30 am  
Monday Night Home Bible Study 7 pm  
Tuesday Night Youth Home Bible Study 7 pm  
Friday Youth Night 7 pm  
**Ismael Berrios**  
Lead Pastor  
P. O. Box 480  
507 Hasbrouck Drive  
Woodbourne, NY 12788  
845-434-8263  
Email:  
[crosswayaog@aol.com](mailto:crosswayaog@aol.com)  
[www.crosswayaog.com](http://www.crosswayaog.com)

**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL MISSION**  
The Little Church with the Big Heart  
**Sunday, 8:15 am Service of Holy Communion**  
Music by Susan and Fred Van Wagner  
Coffee hour follows service  
All are welcome!  
5277 State Rt. 42  
South Fallsburg  
845-436-7539  
Rev. Ninon Hutchinson  
[www.standrewsepiscopalmiession.org](http://www.standrewsepiscopalmiession.org)

**Covered Dish Supper**  
May 4, 2013-5:30 pm  
April 13, 2013  
**Corned Beef Hash Breakfast**  
7:30-9:30 am  
Everyone Invited!  
Free Will Offering  
Information call: 985-2455  
**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
at the  
**Sundown Church Hal/**

  
**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
April 16, 2013  
Thrift Sale 9am-1 pm  
Luncheon 11am-1 pm  
Thrift Sale Only  
April 20, 2013  
9 am-1 pm

**Sundown United Methodist Church**  
Sunday Worship Service • 8:30am  
**Grahamsville United Methodist Church**  
Sunday Worship Service  
10:30am  
985-2283

**Claryville Reformed Church**  
  
Claryville Road  
Claryville, NY 12725  
845-985-2041  
Bible Class 9:00 am  
Worship Services @ 10:00 am  
Rev. Paul Nulton  
John Bult, Organist

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(embraces Fallsburg, Neversink, Sundown and Ulster Heights)  
6317 Rte. 42, Woodbourne, NY  
**Weekend Mass schedule:**  
Saturday afternoon: 5:00.  
Sunday morning: 9:00 am and 11:30 am  
**Holy days of obligation:** as announced in church bulletin.  
**Daily Mass schedule:**  
Monday afternoon 5:45 (Holy Rosary at 5:30); Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings: (includes Morning Prayer)- 8:50 am  
**Saturday afternoon confessions:** 4 to 4:45.  
Rev. John J. Lynch, Ph.D., Pastor. 434-7643.

**St. Augustine's Chapel**  
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Holy Days 5:30 pm  
Penance 9:00 am, 2nd Sunday of the month  
Rev. George W. Hommel, Pastor

**Loucks Funeral Home**  
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79 North Main Street  
Ellenville, New York  
(845) 647-4343

**Grahamsville Reformed Church**  
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
Worship Service 9:30 A.M.  
Rev. Paul Z. Ruter, Pastor  
845-985-7480

**Legals/Public Notices**

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, ANNUAL MEETING,  
BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION  
TRI-VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AT GRAHAMSVILLE  
TOWN OF NEVERSINK, COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual budget hearing of the residents of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan County, New York will be held at the Tri-Valley Central High School Upstairs Gym/Auditorium in said District at Grahamsville, New York on:

Tuesday, May 7, 2013  
at 7:00 P.M. (EDST)

for the purpose of presenting the budget for the 2013-2014 school year.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the budget statement showing the amount of money which will be required for the following year for school purposes, exclusive of public money, together with the text of any proposition which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent, Tri-Valley Central School, Grahamsville, New York and any school building, by any resident in the District between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturday, Sunday or holidays during the fourteen days preceding the annual meeting (Beginning Tuesday, May 7, 2013).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Annual Meeting, including the VOTE upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures for school purposes for the 2013-2014 school year budget and the VOTING for members of the Board of Education, and VOTING on any other proposition to be acted upon, will take place on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 between the hours of 1:00 and 8:00 P.M. daylight savings time at the Gymnasium of the Tri-Valley Central High School Building, in Grahamsville, New York.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the term of three members of the Board of Education will expire on June 30, 2013. Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, on or before of 5:00 P.M. on Monday, April 22, 2013. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. The three highest vote getters will fill the three full term positions. Nominating petitions shall be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence address of each signer, and, must state the name and residence address of the candidate.

The 3-year terms of the following Members of the Board of Education expire on June 30, 2013, and are to be filled at this election:

Leonard Bernstein  
Gary Ter Bush  
D. Jane Tingley

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the following proposition shall also appear on the ballot for the voters consideration at the Annual Meeting:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**Shall the following resolution be adopted. to wit:**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan and Ulster Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to reconstruct School District facilities at the District Campus, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, site and athletic field improvements and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$5,742,000, with \$2,118,181 of said amount to be paid from Capital Fund monies and hereby authorized to be used herefor and the remaining \$3,623,819, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, if necessary due to space constraints, that the aforesaid proposition may appear on the ballot of the voting machines used at such Annual Meeting in the following abbreviated form (in which case the full text of such proposition shall be posted thereat):

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**Shall the following resolution be adopted. to wit:**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Tri-Valley Central School District at Grahamsville, Sullivan and Ulster Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to reconstruct School District facilities at the campus, at a maximum estimated cost of \$5,742,000, with \$2,118,181 Capital Fund monies and the remaining \$3,623,819 or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said District shall be issued.

The School District has determined this capital project to be a Type II Action pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), the implementation of which as proposed, such regulations provided, will not result in a significant environmental effect. SEQRA compliance materials are on file in the Office of the School District Clerk where they may be examined during regular business hours.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to a prior resolution of the District, personal voter registration is in effect. The dates for personal voter registration have been set for Tuesday, May 14th, 2013 and Wednesday, May 15th, 2013 in the Main Entrance Area, between the hours of 4:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.. Voters may also register at the Office of the District Clerk on any business day through Thursday, May 16th, 2013 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Residents are reminded that their registration is valid if they have voted at any school or general election held within the 4 calendar year period prior to May 21, 2013. If a voter is eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law and is registered with the Sullivan or Ulster County Board of Elections, he/she is also eligible to vote at this election. The register of voters prepared pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law shall be available in the office of the Clerk, to any qualified voter, on each of the five (5) days prior to the annual meeting, except Sunday, and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with Section 2018a of the Education Law, applications for ABSENTEE BALLOTS may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. Absentee ballots must be applied for unless the voter's registration is marked "permanently disabled" by the County Board of Elections. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter (Tuesday, May 14th, 2013) OR the day before the election (Monday, May 20th, 2013), if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 P.M. on the day of the annual meeting. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours (9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.) until the day of the election. Any qualified voter may file a written challenge of the qualifications of a voter whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge.

By order of the Board of Education  
Martha Lee Ter Bush, District Clerk  
Dated: April 1, 2013

**Town of Neversink Parks & Recreation Department**

[www.townofneversink.org](http://www.townofneversink.org)

(845) 985-2262 extension 312

**Father's Day Brunch Cruise** -Saturday, June 15  
fd \$20 residents/\$39 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, April 23.

**FLEA MARKET**- Saturday, July 13.  
DETAILS:With both new and used items something for everyone. Reserve your table now. \$15 per space must be paid no later than Tuesday, June 25.

**Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Yankees Baseball Game** - Thursday, July 25, \$12 residents/\$30 non-residents must be paid no later than Tuesday, May 28.

**Community Yard Sale, Crafts & Vendor Fair**  
Saturday, July 13, 2013 t They are presently seeking vendors that include Home Party, Craft and Yard Sale Vendors. The cost is \$15.Contact Jamie Brooks at 985-2262 xt 312 to reserve your spot by May 13, 2013.

**Trolley Tour-Luncheon-Entertainment-Shopping** Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2013. \$40 pp residents; \$59 pp non-residents.

**FREE FUN every FRIDAY** afternoon 1- 4 pm in the upstairs meeting room in the Neversink Town Hall.

**Walking Club** Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 Grahamsville Fairgrounds



**Daniel Pierce Library** hours of operation beginning September 1, 2011.  
Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday and Monday: Closed  
If you have any questions, please call the library at 985-7233.

*The Library Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. On occasion, a meeting date is changed. Please call ahead to confirm.*

**VETERANS** always **Free** search of the Archives for family or history of Sullivan County at the Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, NY. For information call 845-434-8044.

**AL-ANON MEETINGS -**

<http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>

**Mon- 7:00 p.m.** United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty  
**Thurs- 7:00 p.m.** Immaculate Conception Church Annex, 6317 Rt 42, Woodbourne  
**Sat- 8:00 p.m.** United Methodist Church, 170 N. Main Street, Liberty

**Improving Care for Veterans Facing Illness & Death**

**LIBERTY-** Families, health & human service professionals, and organizations providing end-of-life care can enhance their sensitivities and understanding of veterans at a special program on Improving Care for Veterans Facing Illness & Death offered Monday, April 22, 2013. This free event through the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Caregiver Resource Center (CRC) will be held at the Gerald J. Skoda Extension Education Center on 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road in Liberty from 1 pm to 4 pm. To register, call 845-292-6180 or email Bonnie Lewis, CRC Coordinator at [bjl25@cornell.edu](mailto:bjl25@cornell.edu).

Moderated by Frank Sesno, Director of

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- 4/10/13 Town of Neversink Board Meeting - 7:30 pm
- 4/11/13 Dept. of Motor Vehicles Neversink Town Hall 10:00 am - 2:30 p.m.
- 4/13/13 **Corned Beef Hash Breakfast** Sundown Methodist Church Hall - 7:30-9:30 am.
- 4/13/13 Annual Honeybee Class & Seminar **Beginning Bee Keeping** Call 647-6759 Jim Kile for info
- 4/16/13 **Grahamsville United Methodist Church Thrift Sale** (9am-1pm) & **Luncheon** (11am-1pm)
- 4/16/13 Town of Neversink Zoning Board of Appeals - 7:30 pm
- 4/17/13 Neversink Fire District Meeting at 7:30 p.m.; Public Meeting at 8:00 p.m
- 4/17/13 Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery Assoc. Meeting - 7:30 PM
- 4/20/13 Grahamsville United Methodist Church - **Thrift Sale Only** - 9 am - 1 pm
- 4/20/13 The Community Shepherds Committee will be meeting at the Daniel Pierce Library 10 a.m.
- 4/21/13 Claryville Fire Dept. **Pancake Breakfast** 7 am - Noon
- 4/27/13 Sullivan County Annual Litterpluck Day
- 4/30/13 Town of Neversink Parks & Rec - 7:00 pm
- 5/1/13 Town of Neversink Planning Board Meeting- 7:30 pm
- 5/1/13 Claryville Fire District Meeting - Regular meeting
- 5/4/13 **Sundown Methodist Church Covered Dish Supper** - 5:30 pm Sundown Church Hall
- 5/4/13 Grahamsville Reformed Church Hall **Roast Turkey Dinner** 4-7 pm - 985-7480
- 5/7/13 Town of Denning Board Meeting 7:00pm Denning Town Hall
- 5/14/13 Town of Denning Audit/Business Meeting - at 7 PM - Denning Town Hall

**Saturday, May 4th, 2013 for the Tri-Valley Lions Journey for Sight Walk and Tag Day** -- in memory of Donald Ter Bush, Charter Member and President of the Tri-Valley Lions, who passed away July 16, 2012- Sign-in 8:30-9:00 Wal at 9 am at Grahamsville 1st Aid Building

June 5 - Tri-Valley Lions Rabies Clinic 6-8 pm on the Fairgrounds in Grahamsville

July 14- The second annual **Matthew R Berthoff Horseshoe Tournament** Neversink Firehouse

**Annual Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry & Huckleberry Festival** sponsored by the EWOC - **Saturday August 10th**-Vendor applications are available now. Coordinator is Dianne E Turner ( "aka "Mother Blueberry")

**2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair - Sundown Methodist Church Hall - Date to be announced.**

*Ye Olde Tri-Valley Townsman* is available at the following retail stores and restaurants:

- SUNDOWN CAMP & BAIT SHOP
- GRAHAMSVILLE DELI
- EUREKA MARKET & CAFE
- CANNIE D'S
- BLUE HILL LODGE
- 3 GOLDENS
- VALERO MINI MALL (Loch Sheldrake)
- WOODBOURNE - CITGO STATION • MO'S GAS STATION • P.D. SMITH ENTERPRISE
- LIBERTY - LIBERTY FITNESS • CHARLIE'S PIZZA • AGWAY (Liberty) • J.B. MAK (Liberty)
- JAMES NAPANOCH GROCERY
- DR. LONSTEIN'S OFFICE
- MATTHEW'S PHARMACY
- ELLENVILLE CITGO
- ELLENVILLE REG HOSPITAL
- NAPANOCH APPLIANCE
- PETER'S MARKET

**TOWN OF OLIVE MEETINGS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Town of Olive Board Auditing Meeting** every **second Monday of each month**. This meeting is open to the public and all bills being reviewed are available for the general public to see.

**Town Board** meets **every second Tuesday of each month**. Both meetings begin at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY.

**Town of Olive Planning Board** meets the **first and third Tuesdays of each month**. Meetings start at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall on Bostock Road, Shokan, NY. You can contact the Town Building & Zoning Department to confirm a meeting date if you would like to attend at 657-2015. If there is nothing on their agenda, they will cancel meetings.

the School of Media and Public Affairs at The George Washington University, the program will provide new interventions to better serve dying veterans and their families with attention placed on veteran generations now aging and most likely to be seen in end-of-life care (WWII, Korean War, Vietnam). The program also looks at military benefits and VA systems, exploring the traditions and sensitivities of grieving families and resources that can assist them.

This annual educational event has been instrumental in educating healthcare professionals and families on issues affecting end-of-life care. The information provided will be useful to clinicians, administrators, chaplains, social workers, nurses, case managers, counselors, physicians, addiction professionals, and staff working in hospice and palliative care, hospitals, long-term care and assisted living facilities. Continuing Education credits are offered to professionals for a small fee.

This program is presented by the Hospice Foundation of America (HFA) Living With Grief® program.

**Fiesta de la Familia**

The Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce announces Fiesta de la Familia to be held on Saturday, May 4th, 2013 in La Polt Park on No. Main St. in the Liberty Village from 11:00am - 7:00pm.

Last year's Festival held by The Greater Liberty Chamber of Commerce was on Cinco de Mayo, May 5th. The Chamber officially welcomed the many new neighbors of Mexican descent to Liberty. There was pageantry including great music and dancing, food, entertainment, raffles, presentations by public officials, convocations by local Liberty clergy, as well as the breaking of the pinatas by the small children. The day was not only entertaining and educational but also informative as representatives of several of the county's service providing agencies were present and distributed much needed and valuable information. All in all it was a great day! At one point there were over 400 people in Liberty's beautiful La Polt Park.

This year's celebration will be more inclusive of all our Latino neighbors. Did you know that Liberty has many residents who originate, from Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Venezuela, Cuba, Peru, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, and Spain? So, this year, we are celebrating, "Fiesta de la Familia" for all of them! We invite everyone in Sullivan County to come out and experience the pageantry and fun, learn about their culture, taste new foods and meet new friends!

The support for last year's event was incredible! Many of the local Liberty merchants underwrote the cost of the entertainment. Twice as many individuals participated in the massive task of planning, and executing the celebration. We expect this year's support to be even stronger and better!

**Liberty to Induct 47 students into National Honor Societies**

Altogether, 47 Liberty students were inducted into the National Honor Society during a joint ceremony on Tuesday, April 9 in the David E. Panebaker Auditorium at Liberty High School. 31 seventh and eighth-graders and 16 Liberty High

School students were inducted into both the National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society.

Membership to both organizations is based on a number of criteria including leadership qualities, personal character and by maintaining a minimum GPA - 88 percent for Junior Honor Society candidates and 90 percent for National Honor Society.

The key-note speaker for the evening was Liberty Town Supervisor Charlie Barbuti. A 1969 alumnus and past National Honor Society member, Barbuti is also the owner of the Charlie Barbuti Furniture Mall on Main Street, Liberty. His wife Terri is a first grade teacher at Liberty Elementary School.

Throughout the year, the Liberty Honor Societies initiate and participate in community service-related projects. Most projects focus on fundraising for local organizations who serve those in need within the school district area. "It is a privilege to be an advisor to these students," says National Honor Society Advisor Louis Spataro. "They all give 100 percent, and I look forward to working with them on their service projects in the coming year."

**2013 National Honor Society Inductees:**

Kasey Barber, Michael Burke, Mary Deis, Rose Fontana, Elizabeth Grese, Jorge Grey, Sierra Hilliard, Chevanne Howell, Mandilyn Lounsbury, Myra McConnel, Alejandro Mercado, Shivani Patel, Brendan Siegel, Sierra Thomas, Kevin Urure-Cruz, Kimberly Zuniga.

**2013 National Junior Honor Society Inductees:**

Monica Ponce Agredano, Allie Arpino, Christina Burns, Krista Chilson, Erica Clark, Jacqueline Perez-Cordero, Ian Cody, Joseph Decker, Camryn England, Angelina Fontana, Michael Fritz, Vincent Intranuovo, Madison Johnstone, Jeremy Lieberman, Jennifer Lopez, Daniela Mercado, Rebecca Mielnicki, Chelsea Morgan, Ana Marquez Navarro, Gabriela Nolan, Leril Otero, Jeet Patel, Tatiana Quintanilla, Elias Rabadi, Olivia Racette, Christopher Ramirez, Ashley Rizzitano, Jordan Russo, Dara Schiff, Ted-Elijah Torres, Raivyn Troi Willis.

**Current Members - National Honor Society:**

Brittany Almodoval, Jack Beimler, Alexander Bossert, Alyssa Bossert Piatek, Eileen Burke, Nery Campos, Thomas Dapp, Amanda DeJesus, Gladys Diaz, Eugene Doyle, Anastasia Fitzpatrick, Kevin Graham, Stephanie Heisler, Troy Johnstone, Kaitlyn Kellam, Jackson Krebs, Jayco Krebs, Taylor Lamerand, Joshua Lieberman, Andrew Maier, Zachary Maniatis, Matthew McPhillips, Katarina Manzi, Thomas McCausland, Hannah Nadeau, Jonathan Nilson, Vanessa Olivo, Brenna O'Malley, Zaira Pabon, Julian Spina, Melissa Symanski, Nicholas Saccone, Christopher Symanski, Nora Townsend, Emma Wegener, Tea Williams.

**Current Members - National Junior Honor Society:**

Arly Alvarez, Carlos Juarez-Avila, Evelyn Barragan, Jordan Barry, Ivette Beltran, Jenna Blank, Devin Budd, Samantha Burger, Patrick Burke, Megan Burns, Zachary Cody, Elizabeth Conklin, McKinnley, Conklin, Joshua Costa, Alison DeFrank, Margaret Deis, Esther Fitzgerald, Naomi Fitzgerald, Stefanny Fuentes, Jessica Goetz, Grant Harman, Alexis Hamish, Jessica Hewlett, Ashley Holloway, Amanda Jackson, Zoey Jackson, Daniel Johnston, Darren Johnstone, Gabrielle Keyes, Jarek Krebs, Irais Leon, Robert Lounsbury, Carla Medina, Kirianna Milling, Sarah Nadeau, Trent Piatek, Andrew Philips, Caleb Philips, Danielle Rabadi, Jonathan Russo, Thomas Sarney, Maria Symanski, Robert Torrens, Crystal Torres, Gillian Williams.



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- NEW** 2.3 ac level lot with septic designs & drilled well. \$43k
- NEW** Luxe 3 BR home on 19 acs with Stream Club. \$775,000
- Spacious 4-5 BR/2BA turnkey colonial on 5+ level acres w/lg sep garage, porch in quiet Grahamsville n'hood. \$269,000
- Tasteful 4 BR home with sunroom, bar, fpl, formal DR, lg deck, 2 car garage, on 1.58 acres. \$239,000
- 3BR/2 BA architect-owned/renovated farmhouse with modern addition on 1.7 acres. \$349,000.
- 4BR/2.5 BA eyebrow colonial w/fpl, screened porch, sep dining rm on 15+ acs nr State Land. \$354,000.
- Dramatic views from 108 acre property with huge meadows, woods, 1900s farmhse, barns & apple orchard. \$575k
- **HANDYMAN** 3 bed/1 ba on 4.5 acres adj State land. \$50k
- 2BR/1BA authentic log cabin on 20+ acs with fpl, skylights, woods that end at the Neversink River. \$275k
- Cute 2BR seasonal cabin on 3 acs w/fpl, screened prch \$99k

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**Knarf's "Classic Movie Trivia"**  
**THE TREASURE OF THE SIERRA MADRE,**  
(Adventure, 1948) This week we choose one of the best films ever made about people and treasure. Three prospectors fight off bandits and each other after striking-it-rich in the Mexican mountains. Directed by John Huston, and starring Humphrey Bogart, Walter Huston, Tim Holt, Bruce Bennett, Barton MacLane, Alfonso Bedoya. Excellent adaptation of Traven's tale of gold, greed, and human nature at its worst, with Bogart, Huston, and Holt as unlikely trio of prospectors. John Huston won Oscars for Best Direction and Screenplay, and his father Walter won as Best Supporting Actor. That's John as an American tourist near the beginning, and young Robert Blake selling lottery tickets. **See it, on TCM! Sunday April 14, 2013 at 8:00 PM, 126 min, Rated TV-PG, Quiz: 1. Who played [Pat] McCormick? 2. Who said "Badges, We Don't Need No Stinking Badges?"**



**What's Going On In The Gnome Gneighbourhood™ This Week?**

**-SUNDOWN -**  
**Sundown Methodist Church May 4, 2013** "Blessing of the Bikes" at 11:00AM, - 1:00PM, Covered Dish Supper 5:30 PM ... and don't forget the Bargains at the **Grahamsville Methodist Church Thrift Sale** on April 20, 2013 from 9:00AM till 1:00PM

**- CLARYVILLE -**  
Don't miss the Claryville Fire Department Pancake Breakfast 7:00AM till noon on Sunday April 21, 2013.

**- GRAHAMSVILLE -**  
The Community Shepherds Committee will be meeting at the Daniel Pierce Library on April 2, 2013 at 10:00AM .

**- ACCORD -**  
Do you have gasoline or oil in your veins? Then go to Accord Speedway Opening Night Racing, on April 12, 2013 at 5:00 PM, for information call, 845.626.3478, or http://www.accordspeedway.com

**- WOODBOURNE -**  
**DON'T MISS THIS SPRING EVENT ON MAY 22, 2013**  
**Woodbourne Fire Department's Fund Raising Committee presents its 100th Anniversary Event with Prizes and Great Foods**  
**BBQ-Raffle.....**

**1st Prize--Broil-Mate Gas Grill. Tools,** and quick Party Meat Pkg; (Which Consists Of 16-Sirloin Burger Patties, 2-Pkgs Hot Dogs, 2-Pkgs Burger Buns, 2-Pkgs Hot Dog Buns, and 4-Side Salads)  
**2nd Prize--Char-Broil Table-Top Gas Grill And The Small Family"C" Meat Pkg;** (Which Consists Of 3 Lbs Of Each...Sirloin Steaks,Chicken Cutlets, Drumsticks, Ground Round, and End Cut Pork Chops)  
**3rd Prize--The Mix Grill Meat Pkg;** (Which Consists Of 4 Lbs Of Each..Italian Sausage, Chicken Cutlets, Sirloin Burgers,.Boneless Chuck Steaks, and Boneless Pork Chops)  
**Meat Packages Are From Carmine's Meat Market •** Tickets Are \$5 Each Or Five For \$20 • **Drawing at The Woodbourne Fire House 5/22/2013 • Please return tickets by May 20, 2013**

**- CATSKILL MOUNTAIN ARCHERS -**  
Catskill Mountain Archers of 332 Clark A Road Woodbourne, New York 12788 (845) 443-3068, will sponsor an outdoor 3D shoot, and an indoor range at Travis Archery in Woodbourne. A free program for kids, a shoot May 5, 2013, to benefit the Wounded Warrior Excursion. They are hoping to raise the funds necessary to send a local disabled veteran on an assisted hunt.

Stay safe,  
Katie O'Connell  
**Gnome**

**RENTALS**

**BUILDING FOR RENT: RENT FREE FOR REPAIRS!** In the center of **Grahamsville** (Old Post Office) Rent - 985-7411.

**FOR RENT:** 1 - 2 bedroom apartment 1 - 3 bedroom apartment. Call 845-985-0107.

**1 Bedroom Upstairs Apt.** Utilities included. 1-2 people. Good Location-Davis Lane, Grahamsville, NY -No Pets-References/ first month's rent & security. \$650.00. 1-845-796-6319 pmrtfb

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**Mobile Home** for rent in Grahamsville: 3 bdrm, Nice cond/ Walking distance to Town Park. \$675 per month + utilities ad security. No pets. 845-985-7242 p4/11

**2 BR Duplex,** Rt 55, Grahamsville. Nice Apt in small community. Great Layout. \$750 +utilities. Sec & References. 985-2941 bdt 4/11 rene

**REAL ESTATE FOR SALE**

1. 2 Acres residential. Rt 55, across from Fairgrounds. Private Road. \$38,000.
2. 3+ BR., 2 baths, 2 acres, Tri-Valley Schools in Divine Corners, \$99,900. Owner financing w/25%
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**HELP WANTED**

Frost Valley YMCA is seeking a seasonal Human Resources Intern from May 28-August 16, Monday-Friday. Possess excellent communication and organizational skills. Individual should be currently enrolled in a BA or MA degree program of business with an interest in Human Resources. Knowledge of Microsoft Office. The HR Intern will support daily functions of the HR department. Send application and resume to Linda Campbell, HR, hr@frostvalley.org 845-985-2291 EOE 4/11/18

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